UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION

In re:)	Chapter 7
	FORREST D. LAIDLEY,)	No. 04 B 40186
		Debtor.)	Judge Goldgar

FINAL PRETRIAL ORDER

This matter is set for hearing on the motions of Harris Bank Libertyville and National City Bank of Michigan/Illinois to modify the automatic stay at the United States Courthouse, 219 South Dearborn Street, Room 613, Chicago, Illinois on July 27, 2005 at 1:30 p.m. At the court's discretion, the hearing will continue from day to day until completed. Unless modified by the court, the following provisions will govern the course of proceedings in this case:

- 1. <u>Continuances</u>. The hearing date is firm. No continuance of the hearing date will be granted other than for exceptionally good cause shown. Any motion for continuance must be presented, with proper notice, at least ten (10) days before the hearing date.
 - 2. Discovery. No party seeks to take discovery in connection with this matter.
- 3. <u>Pleadings and Dispositive Motions.</u> No party seeks to file any potentially dispositive motions.
- 4. Exhibits and Exhibit Lists. Twenty-one (21) days before the hearing date, all parties must exchange and file with the court copies of all exhibits to be introduced into evidence. Each proposed exhibit must be clearly numbered in the order of its probable presentation at the hearing. Each document must be given a separate exhibit number.

In addition to the exhibits, all parties must exchange and file with the court a list of the numbered exhibits. Next to each exhibit a brief description of each exhibit must be provided.

One (1) set of the exhibits and two (2)copies of the exhibit list must be filed with court.

If no written objection to an exhibit is filed with the court and tendered to the proponent within seven (7) days of the receipt of the proposed exhibit, the exhibit will be deemed admitted into evidence.

- 5. Witnesses and Witness Lists. Twenty-one (21) days before the hearing date, all parties must exchange and file with the court a list of all witnesses they intend to call at the hearing, together with a brief description of the subject matter of the witness's testimony.
- 6. <u>Joint List of Stipulated Facts</u>. To the extent reasonably possible, the parties must stipulate to facts and documents. Twenty-one (21) days before the hearing date, the parties must file with the court a joint list, signed by counsel, stating all facts and documents to which the parties have stipulated. The stipulations are deemed admitted into evidence.
- 7. <u>Motions in limine</u>. All motions to limit, exclude or bar testimony of a witness, or to exclude deposition testimony, must be filed at least fourteen (14) days before the hearing date. Responses are seven (7) days thereafter. No replies should be filed.
- 8. <u>Trial Briefs</u>. No trial briefs are required. Should the parties choose to submit trial briefs, they must be filed no later than seven (7) days before the hearing date.
- 9. <u>Compliance with this Order</u>. Failure to comply with this Order will result in the imposition of appropriate sanctions pursuant to Rule 16(f), Fed. R. Civ. P. 16(f) (made applicable by Fed. R. Bankr. R. Rule 7016). These include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - a. Any exhibit not listed and exchanged in accordance with this Order will not be admitted into evidence. A party who fails to exchange and file the list of exhibits that this Order requires will be precluded from introducing any exhibits into evidence. *In re Maurice*, 21 F.3d 767 (7th Cit. 1994).
 - b. Any witness not identified and listed in accordance with this Order will be barred from testifying at the hearing. A party who fails to exchange and file with the court the list of witnesses that this Order requires will be barred from presenting any witnesses. *In re Maurice*, 21 F.3d 767 (7th Cir. 1994).

Dated: June 20, 2005

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United States Bankruptcy Judge